





## RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION EXPEDITED EXAMINING PROCEDURES

In re Patent Application of:

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## SUPPLEMENTAL SUBMISSION OF AUTHORITIES

Further to the response filed July 9, 2009, applicant hereby brings the Examiner's attention to a recent Federal Circuit *en* banc decision (copy attached) relevant to the restriction requirement made in this application:

Abbott Laboratories, et al. v. Sandoz, Inc., et al., Case No. 2007-1400, and Lupin Ltd., et al. v. Abbott, et al., Case No. 2007-1446 (Fed. Cir. en banc decision of May 18, 2009)

At pages 14-21, the Federal Circuit considers the proper interpretation of "product-by-process" claims – and holds that recited process steps are scope limiting.

Accordingly, the Examiner's prior restriction requirement based on the assertion that the

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claimed product-by-process could be made by other processes than the recited punching process is clearly erroneous. Withdrawal of same is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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